

# Module 07

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## 05

What is  $Pr[X \leq 2]$  example? Write down  $Pr[X \leq k]$  above? Write down  $Pr[X \leq k]$  for all relevant values of  $k$ . Next, suppose  $Pr[heads] = p$  in the above example. Write down  $Pr[X = i], i \in \{0, 1, 2, 3\}$ , in terms of  $p$ .

$$Pr[X \leq 0] = Pr[X = 0] = 0.064$$

$$Pr[X \leq 1] = Pr[X \leq 0] + Pr[X = 1] = 0.352$$

$$Pr[X \leq 2] = Pr[X \leq 1] + Pr[X = 2] = 0.784$$

$$Pr[X \leq 3] = Pr[X \leq 2] + Pr[X = 3] = 1$$

Let  $P[heads] = p$ ,

$$Pr[X = 0] = (1 - p)^3$$

$$Pr[X = 1] = 3p(1 - p)^2$$

$$Pr[X = 2] = 3p^2(1 - p)$$

$$Pr[X = 3] = p^3$$

## 08

If  $p = 0.6$ , what is the probability that the first heads appears on the 3rd flip? Verify your answer using [Coin.java](#) and [CoinExample.java](#).

$$Pr = (1 - 0.6)^2 0.6 = 0.096$$

## 09

Suppose I compare two parameter values for the Geometric distribution:  $p = 0.6$  and  $p = 0.8$ . For which of the two values of  $p$  is  $Pr[X = 3]$  higher?

Let  $p = 0.6$ ,

$$Pr[X = 3] = (1 - 0.6)^2 0.6 = 0.096$$

Let  $p = 0.8$ ,

$$Pr[X = 3] = (1 - 0.8)^2 0.8 = 0.032$$

It seems that  $P[X = 3]$  for  $p = 0.8$  is higher.

## 10

Compute (by hand)  $Pr[X > k]$  when  $X \sim Geometric(p)$ .

$$Pr[X > k] = 1 - Pr[X \leq k] = 1 - \sum_{i=1}^k Pr[X = i] = 1 - \sum_{i=1}^k [(1-p)^{i-1}p]$$

## 11

Suppose we flip a coin  $n$  times and count the number of heads using a coin for which  $P[H] = p$ ,

- Write code to compute  $Pr[X = k]$  using the formula

$$P[X = k] = \binom{n}{k} p^k (1-p)^{n-k}$$

Write your code in [Binomial.java](#).

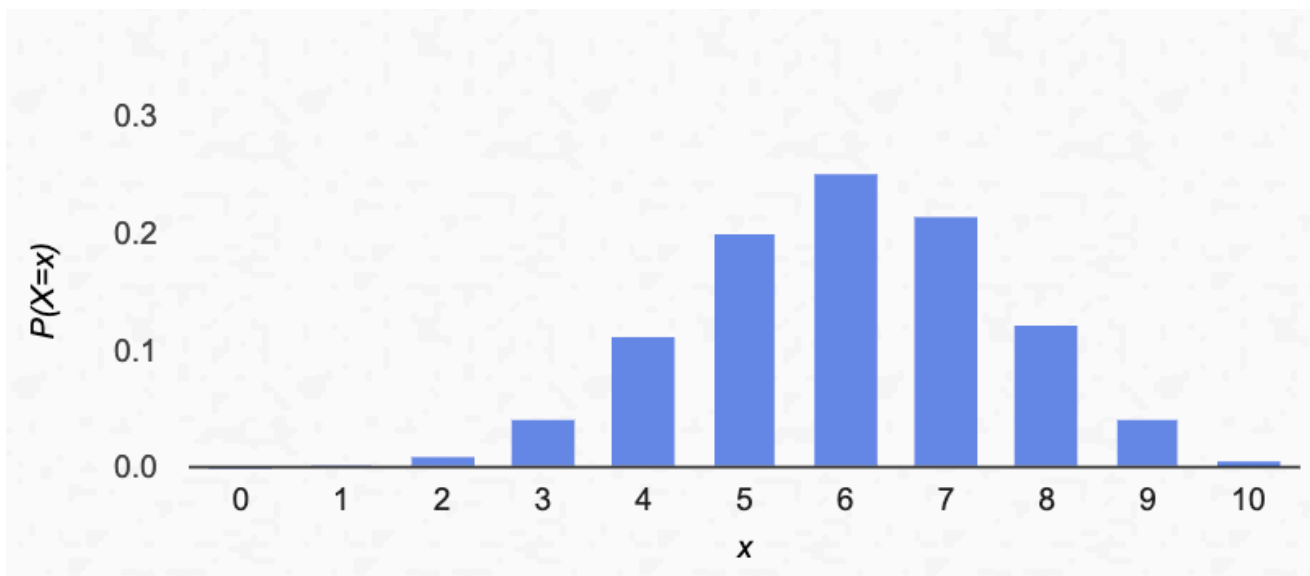
- Plot a graph of  $Pr[X = k]$  vs.  $k$  for the case  $n = 10, p = 0.6$  and for the case  $n = 10, p = 0.2$ .
- Write a simulation to estimate  $Pr[X = 3]$  when  $n = 10, p = 0.6$ . You can use [Coin.java](#) and [CoinExample2.java](#) for this purpose. Verify the estimate using the earlier formula.

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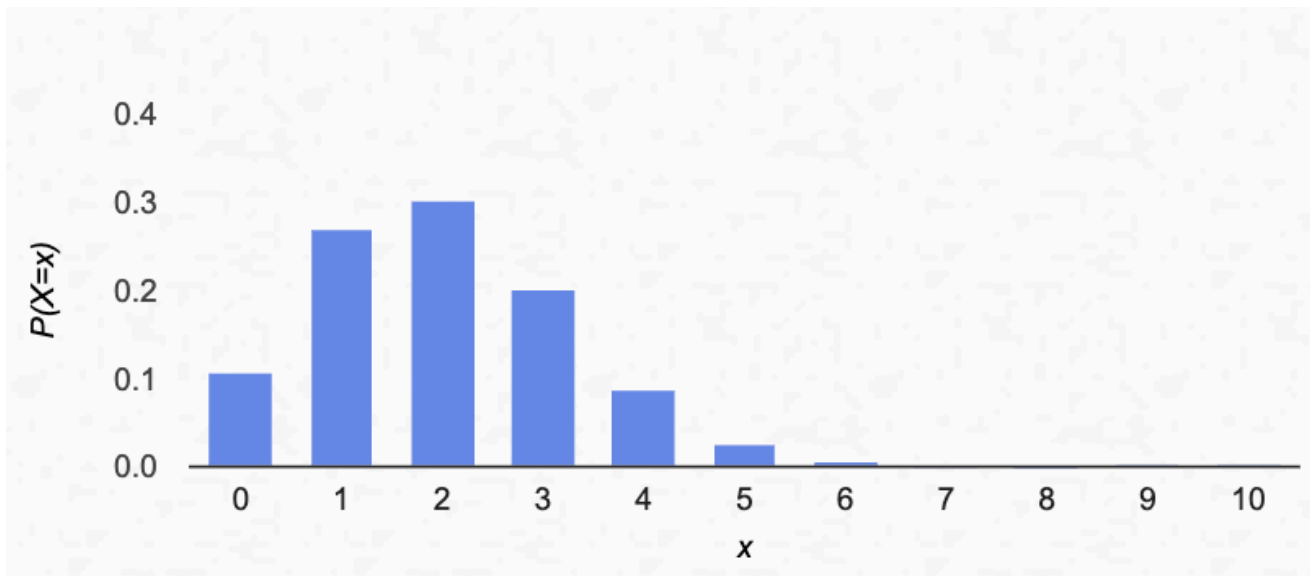
See file `Binomial.java`.

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$n = 10$  and  $p = 0.6$



$n = 10$  and  $p = 0.2$



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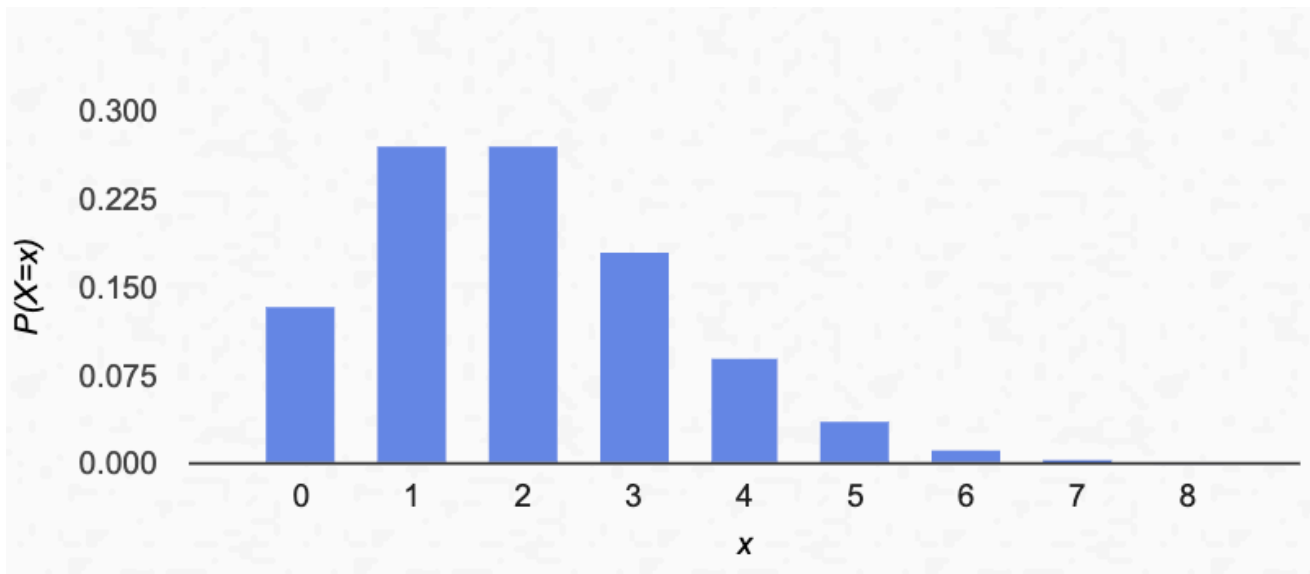
See file `CoinExample2.java`.

## 13

Add code to [Poisson.java](#) to compute  $Pr[X = k]$  and plot a graph of  $Pr[X = k]$  vs.  $k$  when  $\gamma = 2$ . Use the Taylor series for  $e^x$  to prove that  $\sum_k Pr[X = k]$  adds up to 1.

See file `Poisson.java`.

$\gamma = 2$



Based on Taylor series,

$$e^x = \sum_k \frac{x^k}{k!}$$

So,

$$\sum_k \Pr[X = k] = \sum_k e^{-\gamma} \frac{\gamma^k}{k!} = e^{-\gamma} \sum_k \frac{\gamma^k}{k!} = e^{-\gamma} e^{\gamma} = 1$$

## 14

Download [BusStop.java](#) and [BusStopExample3.java](#), and modify the latter to estimate the probability that exactly three buses arrive during the interval  $[0, 2]$ . Compare this with  $\Pr[X = 3]$  when  $X \sim \text{Poisson}(2)$ .

See file `BusStopExample3.java`.

Result:

The probability that exactly three buses arrive during the interval  $[0, 2]$  is 0.1813

If  $X \sim \text{Poisson}(2)$ ,

$$\Pr[X = 3] = e^{-\gamma} \frac{\gamma^k}{k!} = e^{-2} \frac{2^3}{3!} = 0.18045$$

## 19

Consider the distribution for the 3-coin-flip example:

$$\Pr[X = 0] = 0.064$$

$$\Pr[X = 1] = 0.288$$

$$\Pr[X = 2] = 0.432$$

$$\Pr[X = 3] = 0.216$$

Sketch the CDF on paper.

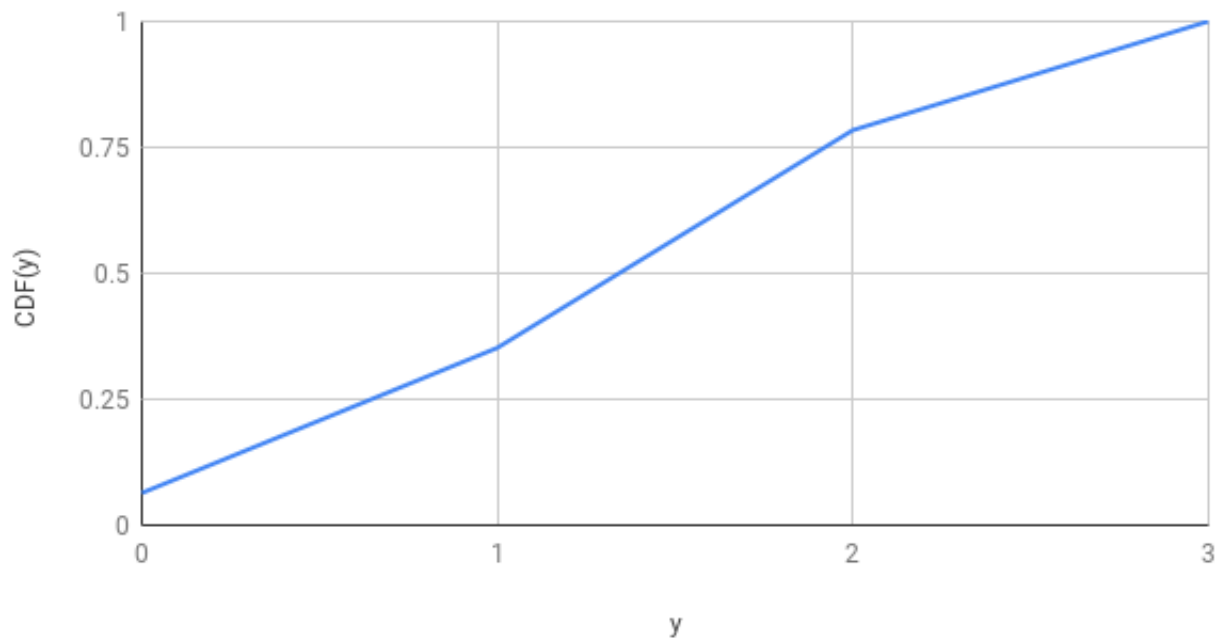
$$CDF(0) = \Pr[X \leq 0] = 0.064$$

$$CDF(1) = \Pr[X \leq 1] = 0.352$$

$$CDF(2) = \Pr[X \leq 2] = 0.784$$

$$CDF(3) = \Pr[X \leq 3] = 1$$

## CDF(y) vs. y



## 23

What is an example of a continuous rv associated with the [QueueControl.java](#) application?

the average service time for a customer

## 25

The program [GaussianCDF.java](#) estimates the CDF of a Gaussian rv. Execute the program to plot the CDF. Then, use this CDF to compute the following probabilities:

- $Pr[0 < X \leq 2]$
- $Pr[X > 0]$

Modify file `GaussianCDF.java` as:

```
public class GaussianCDF {
    public static void main(String[] argv) {
        Function F = makeGaussianCDF();
        F.show();
        System.out.println("Pr[0 < x <= 2] = " + (F.get(2) - F.get(0)));
        System.out.println("Pr[x > 0] = " + (F.get(2) - F.get(0)));
    }
    static Function makeGaussianCDF() {
        double a = -2, b = 2;
        int M = 50;                // Number of intervals.
    }
}
```

```

double delta = (b - a) / M;      // Interval size.
double[] intervalCounts = new double[M];
double numTrials = 1000000;
for (int t = 0; t < numTrials; t++) {
    // Random sample:
    double y = RandTool.gaussian();
    // Truncate:
    if (y < a) {
        y = a;
    }
    if (y > b) {
        y = b;
    }
    // Find the right interval:
    int k = (int) Math.floor((y - a) / delta);
    // Increment the count for every interval above and including k.
    if (k < 0) {
        System.out.println("k=" + k + " y=" + y + " (y-a)=" + (y - a));
    }
    for (int i = k; i < M; i++) {
        intervalCounts[i]++;
    }
}
// Now compute probabilities for each interval.
double[] cdf = new double[M];
for (int k = 0; k < M; k++) {
    cdf[k] = intervalCounts[k] / numTrials;
}
// Build the CDF. Use mid-point of each interval.
Function F = new Function("Gaussian cdf");
for (int k = 0; k < M; k++) {
    double midPoint = a + k * delta + delta / 2;
    F.add(midPoint, cdf[k]);
}
return F;
}
}

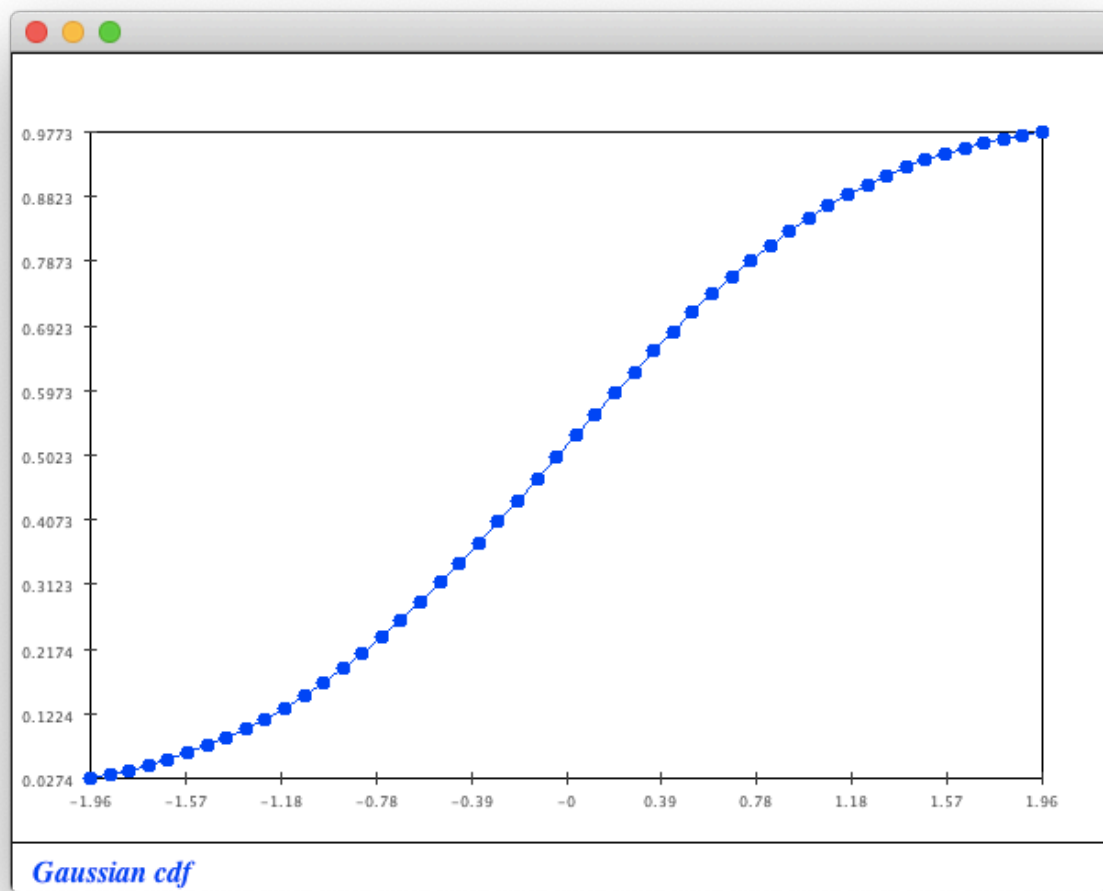
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Result:

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Pr[0 < x <= 2] = 0.462294
Pr[x > 0] = 0.462294

```

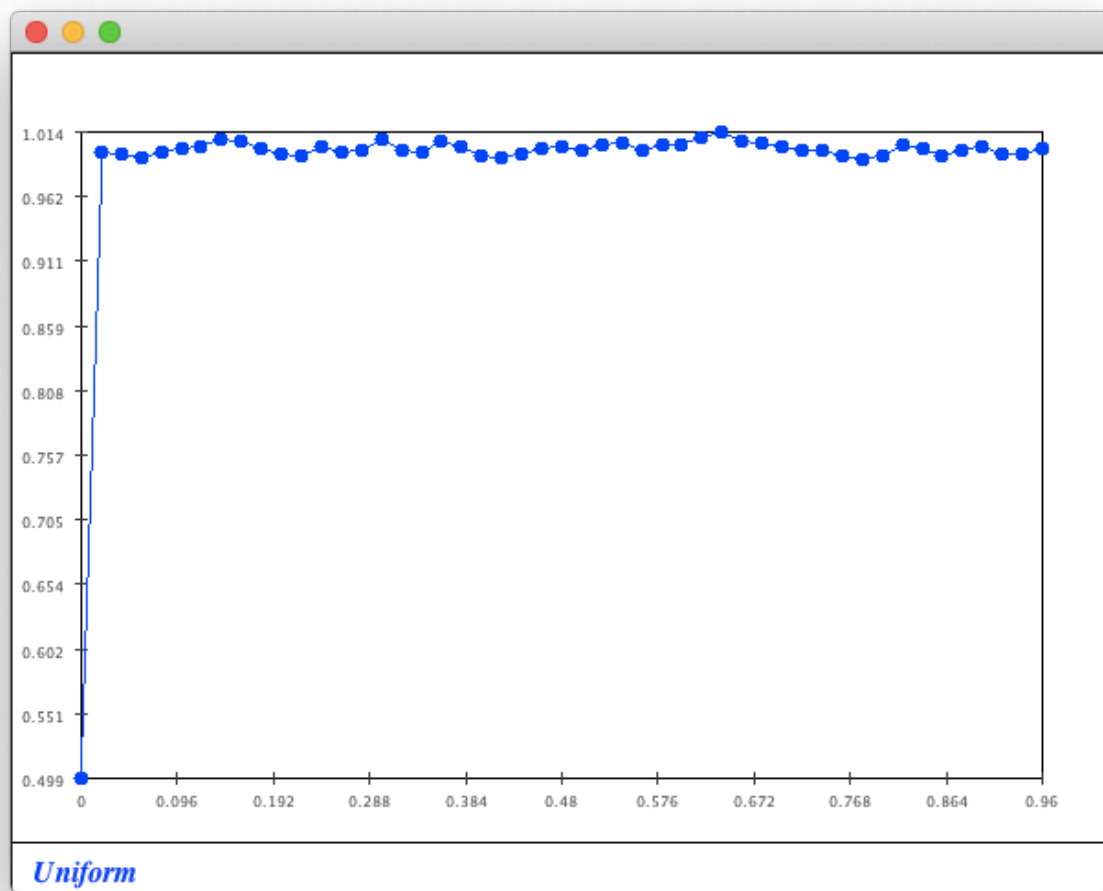


## 26

Modify [UniformCDF.java](#) and [GaussianCDF.java](#) to compute the derivative of each. What is the shape of  $F'(y)$  in each case?

See file `UniformCDF.java`.

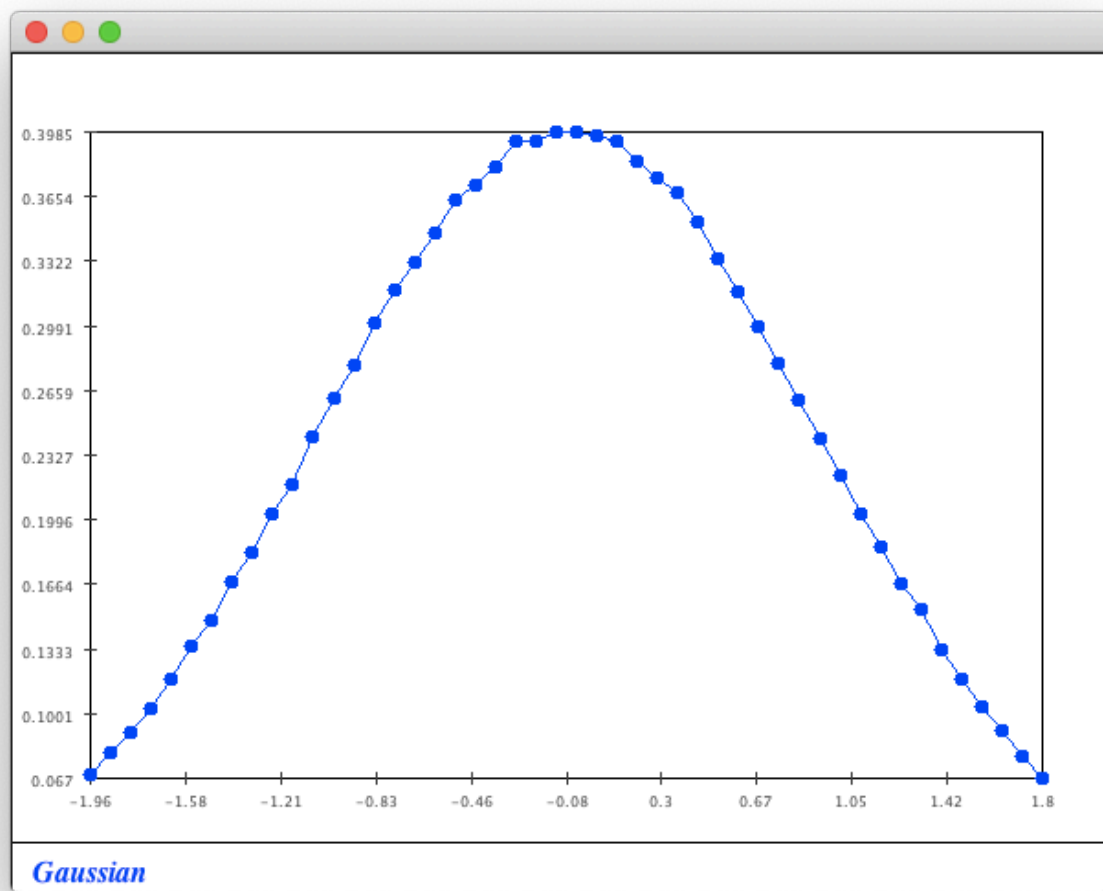
Result:



See file `GaussianCDF.java`.

Result:





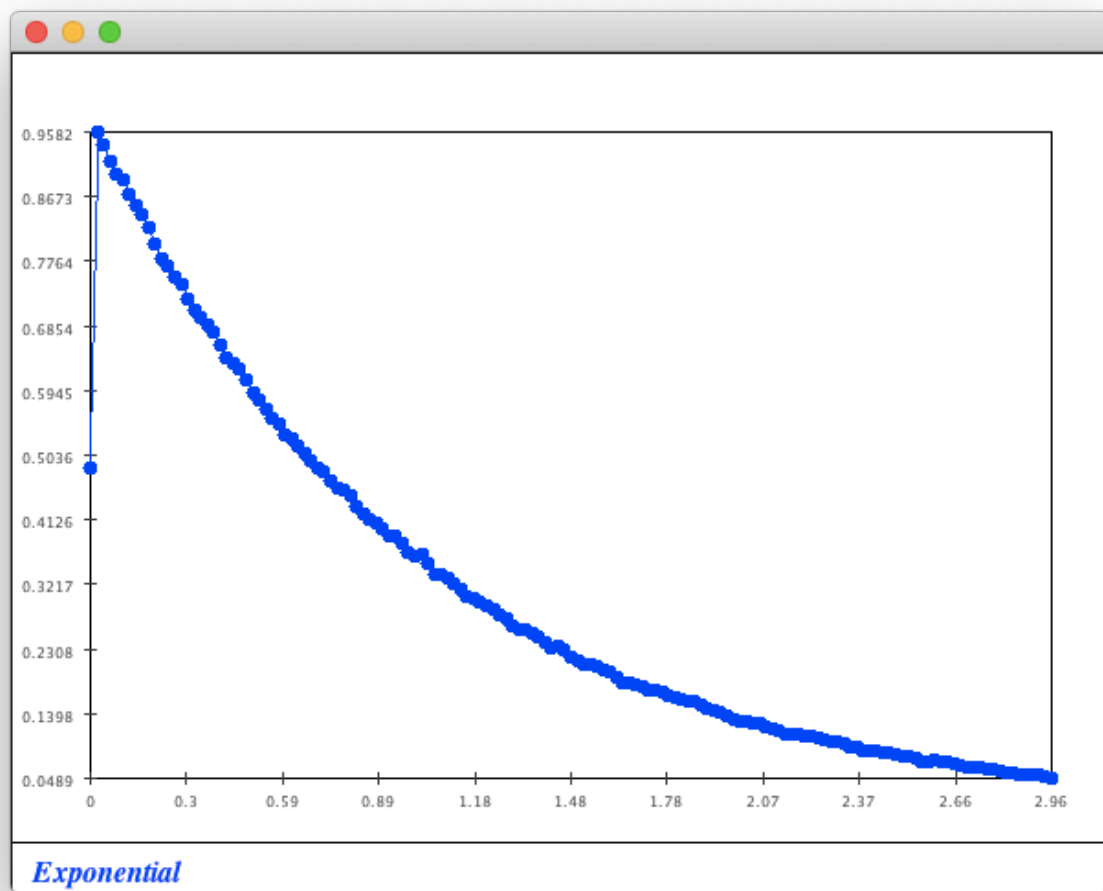
## 27

If  $X$  denotes the first interarrival time in the bus-stop problem, estimate the CDF of  $X$  as follows:

- Assume that values fall in the range  $[0, 3]$  (i.e., disregard values outside this range).
- Use [ExponentialCDF.java](#) as a template, and add modified code from [UniformCDF.java](#).
- Next, compute the *derivative* of this function and display it.

See file `ExponentialCDF.java`.

Result:



## 28

Complete the calculation above. What would you get if  $Pr[H] = 0.5$ ?

$$\begin{aligned}
 E[X] &= \sum_{k \in \{0,1,2,3\}} k \cdot Pr[X = k] \\
 &= 0 \cdot Pr[X = 0] + 1 \cdot Pr[X = 1] + 2 \cdot Pr[X = 2] + 3 \cdot Pr[X = 3] \\
 &= 0 \times 0.064 + 1 \times 0.288 + 2 \times 0.432 + 3 \times 0.216 \\
 &= 1.8 \\
 &= 3 \times 0.6 \\
 &= np
 \end{aligned}$$

If  $Pr[H] = 0.5$  which means  $X \sim \text{Binomial}(3, 0.5)$ ,

$$P[X = k] = \binom{3}{k} 0.5^k (1 - 0.5)^{3-k} = \binom{3}{k} 0.5^3$$

So,

$$\begin{aligned}
Pr[X = 0] &= 0.125 \\
Pr[X = 1] &= 0.375 \\
Pr[X = 2] &= 0.375 \\
Pr[X = 3] &= 0.125
\end{aligned}$$

Expected value:

$$\begin{aligned}
E[X] &= \sum_{k \in \{0,1,2,3\}} k \cdot Pr[X = k] \\
&= 0 \cdot Pr[X = 0] + 1 \cdot Pr[X = 1] + 2 \cdot Pr[X = 2] + 3 \cdot Pr[X = 3] \\
&= 0 * 0.125 + 1 * 0.375 + 2 * 0.375 + 3 * 0.125 \\
&= 1.5 \\
&= 3 \times 0.5 \\
&= np
\end{aligned}$$

## 29

How does this relate to the 3-coin-flip example?

See exercise #28.

## 31

What does  $\frac{n}{k_n}$  become in the limit? Unfold the sum for the 3-coin-flip example to see why this is true.

$\frac{n}{k_n}$  in the limit will become as the probability.

## 32

Download [Coin.java](#) and [CoinExample3.java](#) and let  $X$  = the number of heads in 3 coin flips.

- Compute the average value of  $X$  using  $\frac{1}{n} S_n$
- Estimate  $Pr[X = k]$  using  $\frac{n_k}{n}$ .
- Compute  $\sum_k \frac{n_k}{n}$  using the estimates of  $\frac{n_k}{n}$ .

Compare with the  $E[X]$  calculation you made earlier.

See file `CoinExample3.java`.

Result:

```
average value of X: 1.800082
Pr[X=0] = 0.064165
Pr[X=1] = 0.287286
Pr[X=2] = 0.432851
Pr[X=3] = 0.215698
\sum_{k} k \frac{n_{k}}{n} = 1.8000819999999997
```

## 33

Use [Coin.java](#) and [CoinExample4.java](#) and let  $X$  = the number of flips needed to get the first heads when  $Pr[Heads] = 0.1$ . Compute the average value of  $X$  using  $\frac{1}{n}S_n$  as you did in the previous exercise. Compare with the  $E[X]$  calculation from earlier.

See file `CoinExample4.java`.

Result:

```
range: 0 - 1000
average value of X: 10.008696
Pr[X=1] = 0.100442
Pr[X=2] = 0.089667
Pr[X=3] = 0.081536
\sum_{k} k \frac{n_{k}}{n} = 10.008696000000002
```

It is clear that  $X \sim \text{Geometric}(0.1)$  and  $E(X) = \frac{1}{0.1} = 10$ .

## 34

Try this computation with the uniform, Gaussian and exponential distributions using [UniformCDF2.java](#), [GaussianCDF2.java](#), and [ExponentialCDF2.java](#). Explore what happens when more intervals are used in the expectation computation than in the CDF estimation.

See file `UniformCDF2.java`.

Result:

```
Uniform ex: 0.49002232000000005
```

See file `GaussianCDF2.java`.

Result:

```
Gaussian ex: -0.0278750399999999858
```

See file `Exponential.java`.

Result:

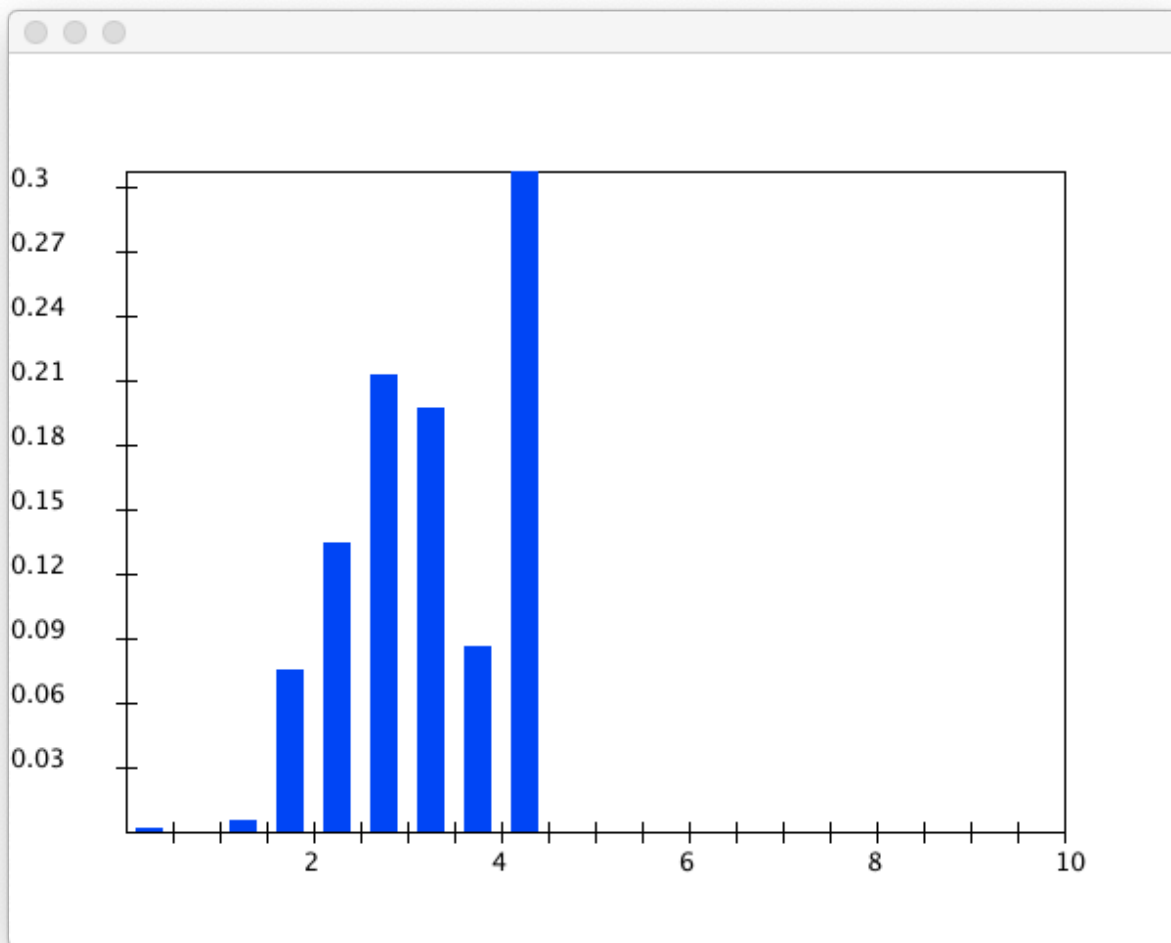
```
Exponential ex: 0.4621379250000003
```

## 40

Estimate the density of the time spent in the system by a random customer in the QueueControl example. To do this, you need to build a density histogram of values of the variable `timeInSystem` in [QueueControl.java](#).

See file `exercise40.java`.

Result:



## 44

Suppose  $X \sim \text{Exponential}(\gamma)$  with CDF  $F(x)$ . Write down an expression for  $F^{-1}(y)$ , the inverse of  $F$ .

$$F(x) = \begin{cases} 0 & x \leq 0 \\ 1 - e^{-\gamma x} & x > 0 \end{cases}$$

Only consider when  $x > 0$ ,

$$y = F(x) = 1 - e^{-\gamma x}$$

So,

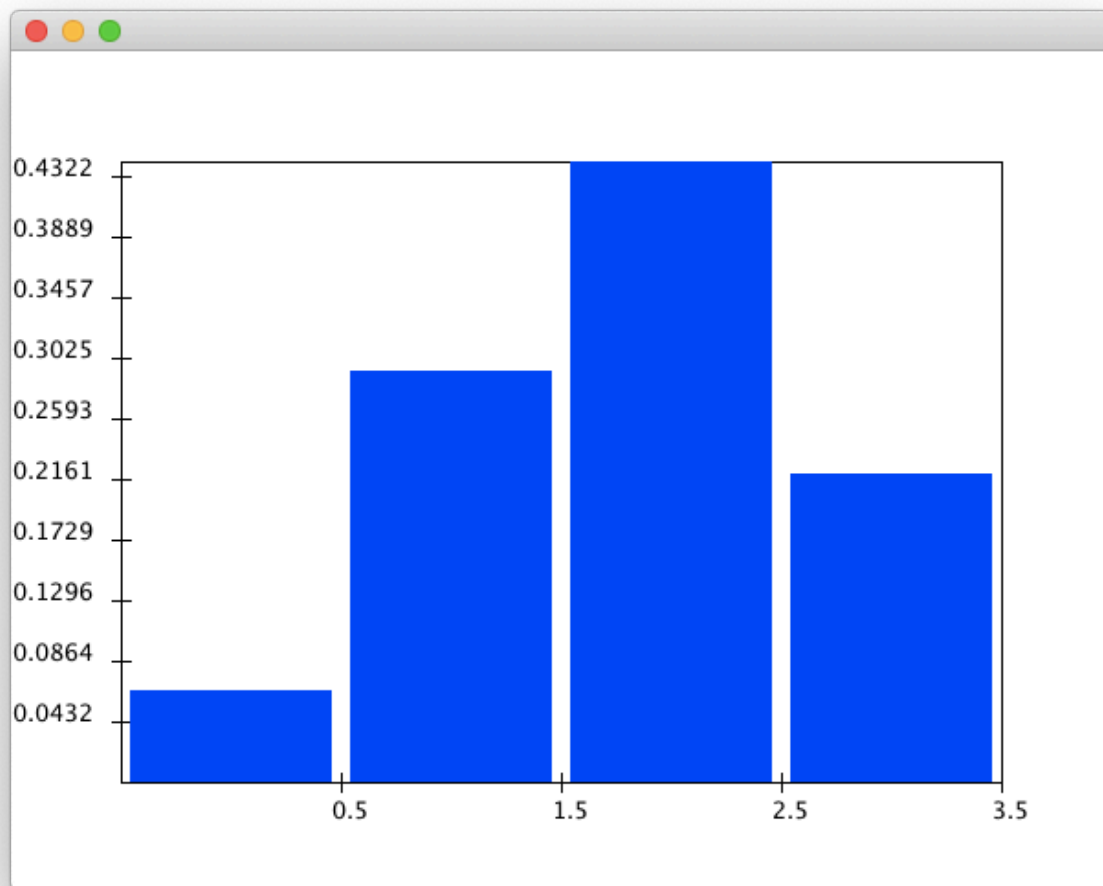
$$x = F^{-1}(y) = -\frac{\log(1 - y)}{\gamma}$$

## 46

Add code to [DiscreteGenExample.java](#) to implement the above generator, and to test it by building a histogram.

See file `DiscreteGenExample.java`.

Result:



Add code to [ExponentialGenerator.java](#) to implement the above idea. Use the inverse-CDF you computed earlier. The test code is written to produce a histogram. Use your modified version of [PropHistogram.java](#) to make a density histogram. Compare the result with the actual density (using  $\gamma = 4$ ). How do you know your code worked?

See file `ExponentialGenerator.java`.

Result:

